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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 74, line 13 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Configuration field FIELD_CONFIGURATION is an additional field provided for storing information indicating the configuration name (HR settings, Marketing settings...) used by the managed product at the time of the event. The information in this field is used for reporting purposes, in one embodiment. As explained more completely in copending, commonly filed and commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/xxxxxxx 10/660,422, entitled "Configuration System and Methods Including Configuration Inheritance and Revisioning," of Paul M. Agbabian and David R. Hertel, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, for an event, the information in this field is used to cross-reference into a configuration revision history and if available, an inheritance tree at the time of the event to determine the effective configuration.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 135, line 23 through page 136, line 11 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A time when the rule was last modified is stored in a data rule modified field FIELD_DATA_RULE_MODIFIED. If the application does not track the modification time of each rule, the time of the configuration containing the rules instead is used. This field allows an administrator to determine if a rule has been modified but not renamed after it was triggered (or in other words, if the current version of the rule is the one used for this event). The need for this field has been reduced by the configuration history tracking system, which can

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reconstruct a configuration based on the configuration name and event time as described in copending, commonly filed and commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/xxx,xxx 10/660,422, entitled "Configuration System and Methods Including Configuration Inheritance and Revisioning," of Paul M. Agbabian and David R. Hertel, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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